CITY OF NORMAN, OK

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 11/10/2026

REQUESTER: Michele Loudenback, Environmental and Sustainability Manager

PRESENTER: Michele Loudenback, Environmental and Sustainability Manager

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL, ACCEPTANCE, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF AWARDING BID 2526-55 AND CONTRACT K-2526-190 BY AND BETWEEN THE NORMAN UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND EIGHTTWENTY OKLAHOMA, L.L.C., IN THE AMOUNT OF $184,876.00; PERFORMANCE BOND B-2526-86; STATUTORY BOND B-2526-87; MAINTENANCE BOND MB-2526-69 FOR THE LINE MAINTENANCE SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEM INSTALLATION PROJECT. (WARD 6)

BACKGROUND:

On August 9, 2005, Mayor Haralson signed the United States Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement which consisted of 12 recommended action items designed to reduce global warming emissions and increase energy conservation. Norman's Environmental Control Advisory Board (ECAB) is tasked with creating and updating recommendations every five years. The most recent review was finalized in 2023. Recommendations include reducing City of Norman operations' greenhouse gas emissions by 25% by 2028 and increasing renewable energy use throughout the City with a goal of reaching 100% renewable energy consumption by the year 2050. One way to reach this goal is by installing renewable energy generating equipment on municipal facilities.

DISCUSSION:

The Invitation to Bid (Bid 2526-55) for the construction and installation of a solar photovoltaic system was published in the Norman Transcript on August 13 and August 20, 2026. The project contained a Base Bid for the design, procurement and installation of a solar photovoltaic system with solar production monitoring on the Line Maintenance building. No Alternate Bids were included in this project.

Three contractors submitted bids. The bids ranged from $184,876.00 to $211,306.00. EightTwenty Oklahoma, L.L.C., was determined the lowest responsible bidder with a bid of $184.876.00. Staff recommends award of the bid to EightTwenty Oklahoma, L.L.C.

The funding for this project is available will be as follows:

Account Description	Account Information	Available Balance	Project Funding Amount
LM Solar Array Const - Water	3199521-46101, Project WA0392	$125,000.00	$92,438.00
LM Solar Array Const – Water Reclamation	32995521-46101, Project WW0392	$125,000.00	$92,438.00

Work on this project will commence after Norman Utilities Authority (NUA) approval of the contract and is expected to be completed by January 1, 2027.

RECOMMENDATION 1:

Staff recommends the NUA accept bids meeting project specifications, award Bid 2526-55 to EightTwenty Oklahoma, L.L.C., for the Line Maintenance Solar Photovoltaic System Installation (project WA0392, WW0392) in the amount of $184,876.00.

RECOMMENDATION 2:

Staff recommends the NUA approve the associated contract and performance, statutory, and maintenance bonds in the amount of the bid.